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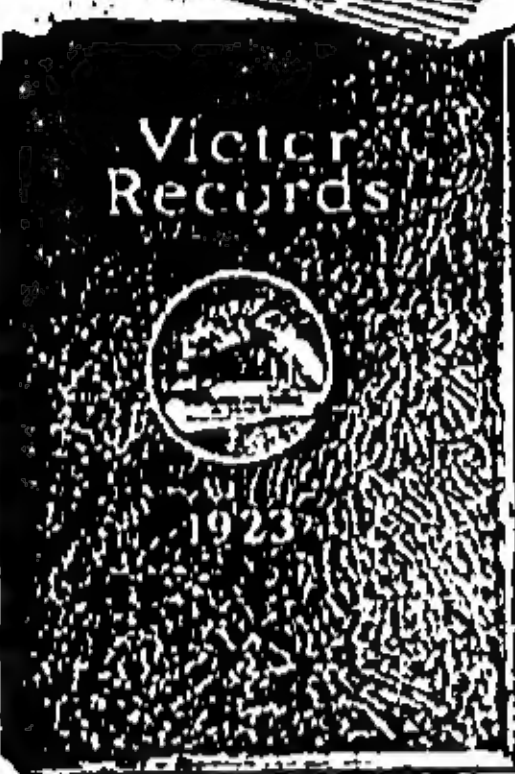
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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuters' Service the China Mail.)

**KRUPP "MARTYRS."**

CHANCELLOR'S FUNERAL ORATION.  
ALL PARTIES UNITED.

BERLIN, April 10.

The Reichstag was packed to hear Chancellor Cuno's funeral oration on the victims of the incident at Krupp. Flags were half-masted and the hall was draped in black. All members of Cabinet, officials and representatives of trade unions were present.

Eulogising the "martyrs," the Chancellor said that their deaths had united all parties in Germany more than ever. He referred to the long file of those martyred, tortured, insulted and deported, suffering in disgraceful prisons.

He said that not a hair of a French soldier had been hurt but fifty German workmen fell in their own blood. Machine guns could never break an entire people and he asked the nations of the world how long they would wait before a halt was called of this mad misuse of power. He referred to the failure to accept their offer of negotiations and said no arrangement could be accepted which infringed territorially the Ruhr and the Rhine. So long as their opponents were not ready for such an arrangement passive resistance by the entire people must be continued.

**BRITISH TRADE WITH GERMANY.**

QUESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, April 10.

In the House of Commons, replying to questions Sir P. Lloyd-Greame said that exportations from occupied Germany during the past few months were very small. The French and Belgians had made considerable concessions to facilitate exports but the Germans were refusing to permit their nationals to take advantage thereof. The British Government had brought the position to the notice of the German Government.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin said the question of the disposal of the money collected by the French customs in the Ruhr on British goods had not yet been settled. The Government was carefully considering the matter.

**AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA.**

CANADA'S EXAMPLE IGNORED.

MELBOURNE, April 10.

The Premier, Mr. Bruce, announces that he does not intend to appoint a Minister to Washington, preferring that diplomatic representations should be made through Britain, but he is shortly appointing a trade commissioner in New York.

**MAILS FROM HOME.**

SPEEDING UP P. & O. SERVICE.

LONDON, April 10.

The Post Office has informed the Chairman of the Far Eastern section of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce that no effort is being spared to accelerate the P. and O. service to the Far East.

**MEMEL TROUBLE.**

GERMAN LEADERS DEPORTED.

KOVNO, April 10.

The leaders of the German Lithuanian Home League, including the President and Secretary and Editor of the *Memel Rundschau*, have been deported to Germany. Local members have been arrested.

**MR. BONAR LAW.**

RESTING HIS THROAT.

LONDON, April 10.

Mr. Bonar Law under his doctor's orders is not participating in debates at present in order to rest his throat.

**OBITUARY.**

**LIBERIAN MINISTER TO LONDON.**

LONDON, April 10.

The death has occurred of Mr. J. P. Crommelin, the Liberian minister to London, who is a Dutchman.

**THE DOLLAR.**

To-day's closing rate 2/3 5/16.  
To-day's opening rate 2/3 5/16.

**IMPERIAL TRADE.**

COMPETITION FROM AMERICA.

DEBATE IN THE COMMONS.

LONDON, April 10.

The House of Commons debated a motion urging the Government to enforce a policy of imperial trade development without waiting for the Imperial Conference in October. Viscount Ednam stressed the necessity for prompt action on account of foreign enterprise, notably American, which was already determined and successfully capturing Canadian trade. American capital was finding a want in Australia and South Africa.

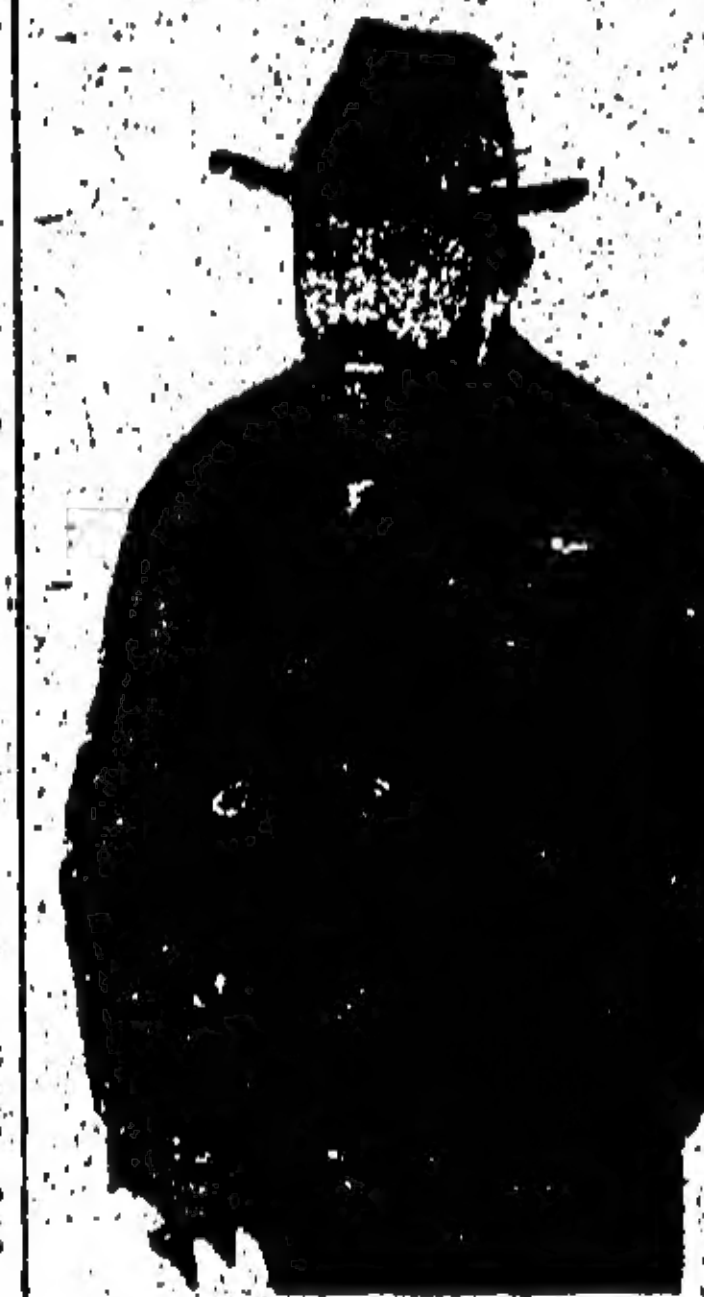
Sir P. Lloyd-Greame replied sympathetically and pointed out that the deficit in exports still amounted to twenty per cent. necessitating a quest of new courses. He said we were going to develop Canada and new offices were shortly being opened in Vancouver while India would also be developed. The minister was not afraid of American development which, he opined, would be hampered by a high tariff, also the necessity of receiving debt repayments. He stated that the Colonial Office had prepared schemes for developing the Crown Colonies. The Imperial Conference would consider the questions raised, including the extension of imperial preference.

**CAPTURE OF HUGO STINNES.**

MAGNATE AND HIS WIFE RELEASED.

BERLIN, April 10.

It transpires that railway guards entered the sleeping car occupied by Herr Hugo Stinnes and his wife whom they locked up in a luggage van. Later they released both.



[Stinnes is the wealthiest and most influential man in Germany. In 1897 his father, a mine-owner, left him a fortune of nine million gold marks (\$450,000). His own fortune just before the war is said to have been about 40 millions of gold marks. His fortune at the present day is estimated at more than a thousand millions of paper marks. In the war Stinnes was the chief contractor for war material, especially iron and steel.]

**OTHER ARRESTS MADE.**

BERLIN, April 11.

The French at Scharnhorst also temporarily arrested and detained Herr Hamm, under-secretary, who was going to Essen to attend the funeral of the Krupp workers on behalf of the Government. The ex-Minister of Posts, Herr Giesberts, and the ex-Prussian Premier Herr Siegelwald. They have all since been released the first named being conducted to the boundary of the occupied territory.

**AMERICAN NATIONS.**

FORMING A LEAGUE?

SANTIAGO DE CHILE, April 10.

While no plenary meeting of the Pan-American conference was held yesterday, nearly all the commissions presented reports which will be formally discussed at a plenary session on April 7. The most important reports dealt with the reorganisation of the Pan-American Union and the question of a permanent American court of international justice whose creation was proposed by the Costa Rican delegate.

The President of the Conference who is the Chilean Agustin Edwards expressed optimism as regards the idea of a League of American nations, considering it would be greatly facilitated by the predominance of two languages in America.

**CANADA'S POSITION.**

At Toronto, Lord Robert Cecil, discussing the Fisheries Treaty between the United States and Canada agreed that Canada and the other dominions should be consulted as regards treaties between the King of England and other powers. Lord Robert Cecil opined that there was nothing serious in the suggestion that the Pan-American union which Canada was invited to join would develop into a league of American nations with a corresponding league for the eastern hemisphere.

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The sale of Mint Machinery

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## SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS  
ADVERTISED.

## ENTERTAINMENT'S.

April 11.—Coronet Theatre, Max Linder in "The Three Must Get Thers." World Theatre: Eric scilla Dean in "Under Two Flags," Star Theatre: Robert Warwick in "An Adventure in Hearts."

April 13.—Boy Scouts' Jamboree, City Hall.

April 14.—Boy Scouts' Jamboree, City Hall.

April 17.—City Hall, Chamber of Commerce Room, Concert given by Miss May Murkle and her assistants, 5.30 p.m.

April 17.—Musical at the Helena May Institute, at 5.30 p.m.

May 7.—Concert at Government House in aid of welfare work, 9.15 p.m.

## SPORTING EVENT.

April 14.—Football, Hongkong League, Club Ground, Happy Valley, Division II, kick off 3.15 p.m. Division I, kick off 4.45 p.m.

April 21.—21st annual athletic meeting of V.R.C. at Hongkong Football Club Grounds, commencing at noon.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

April.—Lammert Bros., the sale of one set of mint machinery at their Sales Room, Duddell Street, has been postponed until a date to be notified later.

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April 14.—Lammert Bros., at No. 18 Godown, Kowloon Godown Co., a quantity of miscellaneous goods ex s.s. "Kwaishang" at 11 a.m.

April 30.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Room, the wreck of the s.s. "Nichiren Maru," at noon.

## COMPANY MEETINGS.

April 21.—Thirty-fourth ordinary general meeting of the Hongkong Electric Co. Ltd. at the Co.'s offices, St. George's Building, at 11.30 a.m.

## OTHER MEETINGS.

April 12.—First annual meeting of Peak Residents' Association at the Peak Club, 5.45 p.m.

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## Red Hair.

With apologies to any male friends of mine (I cannot remember many) who may have been entitled to the name of Rufus, I am bound to say that I never knew any man who would not have looked better with hair of any other colour. On the other hand, red hair in girls and women is often—I think much more often than not—perfectly charming. Brick-dust red, with no gloss, is ugly enough, no doubt; but then all hair—except a very peculiar kind of black—requires gloss. Every other shade, from the lightest nasturtium to the darkest mahogany chestnut, can be beautiful. This Venice knew, and long before I think the Greeks. "The Romans," Mr. Feeder, "did not like red hair; but the Romans were people of very doubtful taste in many, if not most, points of aesthetics. There were probably never prettier girls or kittens, or roses than there are at present; I do not believe that there ever were braver men than those who fought at Ypres and Zeebrugge; and (crash as this may seem) I doubt whether there ever were greater fools than those we have with us."—From A Scrap Book, by Emeritus-Prof. George Sainsbury.

## A Bolt from the Blue.

"They're playing the 'Blue Danube'—come on." And probably the dancers would not enjoy themselves a bit the less if they

were told that the Danube isn't blue at all (observes the *Daily Chronicle*). At any rate, it's certain they would go on calling it blue, because blue is the colour of romance, and yellow the colour of the banana. And yet that lovely blue Danube, which seems to appeal so much to our imagination is really yellow, trimmed with green or grey, according to the seasons. At least, so say the Danube experts. At one point in the upper river some streams flow together for their waters. From the steamer deck may be seen on the left the lilac, almost black; on the right the lavender; and in the centre the yellowish-green Danube.

The *schoene blaue* Danube is not blue.

But glitters with a yellow-greenish hue.

is the verified verdict of one authority. That is true in summer time; but at this season, when swollen with glacier water and melted snow, the Danube is greyish-yellow.

Alas, for the Blue Danube!

Butterfly Farms.

Quite a novelty in the way of farming is the butterfly farm. And a very paying business it is, too; but a thorough knowledge of entomology is necessary to carry out the work successfully. There is a great demand for butterflies of all sorts by collectors, scientists, the makers of the beautiful butterfly's wing jewellery, etc. As much as £5 and £7 is paid for some of the rarer specimens. Butterfly farming requires very little space and scarcely any capital to start with. An old shed, attic, or spare room can be utilised, provided it is free from draughts and has a fairly warm temperature. Empty jars or wide-mouthed bottles, and even boxes and barrels, can be used for the breeding compartments, whilst most of the stock can be caught outside, except of course, the rarer varieties, which have to be purchased. The successful farmer knows exactly how to feed each variety. Some butterflies produce their eggs in boxes or bags, others require no food whilst laying their eggs, and so forth. The larvae hatched from the eggs have to be fed on certain leaves until they turn into pupae, from which the butterflies eventually emerge.

Morgue to disappear.

Next month will see the disappearance of the Morgue, that grim feature of the sights of Paris, which for sixty years past has attracted the morbid or merely curious visitor to the little building under the shadow of Notre Dame. Of recent years such idle curiosity has been restricted, and certain formalities have had to be fulfilled before admission could be secured. The Parisian, proud of his city, is only too glad that the bodies of unknown victims of crime or ac-

cident—whose number has for some time been too great for their disposition at the Morgue—will henceforth be taken to a temporary resting-place more worthy of the great city, the Medico-Legal Institute, which has been established on the Quai de la Rapée, near the Gare de Lyon. Here, in contrast to the poor accommodation at the Morgue, relatives will be able to wait when they come to identify their dead in conveniently arranged rooms. In addition, the new institute, with its laboratories, will be of considerable value to doctors, lawyers, and those engaged in the investigation and detection of crime. Lectures will be given to students of medicine, jurisprudence, and a crime museum will be available. When the site of the Morgue has been cleared it has been proposed that that hitherto melancholy area shall be utilised as an extension of the enclosure around Notre Dame, so that grass plots and flowers may brighten this picturesque corner of old Paris.

## Girls Of 1823 And 1923.

It is sometimes profitable to note the changes of the years. The young girl in 1823 had her hair done in strange and fantastic manner. On the slightest provocation her head was decked with feathers—with flowers—with heavy plaits—with curls—with ribbons. Her dress was high to the throat. Her sleeves high to her ears. Her waist was pinched and tortured. She was weighed down with thick and starched petticoats (says a writer in the *Westminster Gazette*). The young girl of 1923 wears her hair flat—or curled and bobbed. Her throat and arms are free of cumbersome covering. She wears clinging frocks, and has a supple, loose waist-line. Miss 1823 lived continuously under her mother's eyes. She did embroidery and needlework. She made preserves, and knitted. Her only "sport" was a walk taken with the members of her family. Miss 1923 is not generally speaking, fond of needlework in fact, does not care for knitting still—let alone her. She wants to be "on the go" all the time. You don't find her like the heroine of a former age, warbling a romance at the piano. She says—and very rightly—"the gramophone does it much better than I," or she argues—very rightly again—"There are excellent records to-day within the purse and the reach of everyone." You will—more often than not—find her in the fresh air, with a racket or a golf stick. It has taken 100 years of evolution to accomplish such decided changes, and they are all for the better. To-day young girls are given a chance in life like their brothers—no longer are they required to stay at home and mope, doing nothing, or doing for others without a recognised position or pay.

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## BIRTHS.

SCARBOROUGH. On April 5, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Scarborough, a son (Peter).

GOLDING. On Friday, April 6, 1923, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. C. B. V. Golding, a son.

## MARRIAGE.

WOODS-TAYLOR. On April 6, 1923, at Shanghai, Rev. Henry M. Woods, D.D., of Soochow, China, to Mrs. Grace W. Taylor, of Atlantic City, New Jersey, U.S.A.

## The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE"  
HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 1923.

## LABOUR TROUBLES.

Encountering labour troubles almost every day, Hongkong will have read with more than passing interest certain very relevant remarks made by the Home Labour leader, Mr. Thomas, and cabled here yesterday. Addressing a mass meeting of railwaymen in London, Mr. Thomas warmly rebuked the extremists and condemned those unions which had refused arbitration. A strike, he added, must be the last, not the first resort. How much needless rancour and actual loss would be saved could but these words become the guiding impulse among labour unions everywhere. Hongkong has not forgotten the seamen's strike, just over this time last year. Nor has the Homelander yet forgotten the year before when trade disputes lost the country 85,000,000 working days—more than 235,000 years! However, the right to strike has now so long been recognised that nobody to-day attempts to contest its legitimacy. This does not, of course, apply to strikes which endanger public security. When the community's vital interests are attacked, public opinion speedily manifests itself and often finds expression in drastic action. This explains why the general strike always fails.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## HONGKONG'S VOLUNTEERS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—Having read the letters in your paper yesterday, I should, as a member of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, like to say that what we want is a regular commandant, or a regular officer as part time commandant. Also we must have a regular officer as adjutant and other officers should be cleared out if they don't look after their pidgeon. A popular officer is going to popularise the volunteers, and the same applies to the non-commissioned officers.

The trouble with the Volunteers at the moment is that too much maskee spirit exists among the officers and there is not that esprit de corps and camaraderie which ought to exist.

We had here during the war as Commandant Major Morgan who knew every man in the Corps. How many company officers know all the men in their respective companies?

Yours, etc.,  
OLD SWEAT.

Hongkong, April 10.

## GERMANY DENOUNCED.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Sir,—This riling at France appears to me only that of the rather cowardly boy who objects to just punishment lest he himself should merit it later. If you hold that Germany should not be compelled to pay for the mess she made of Europe, then shoot not at France, but at the Versailles Treaty which we ourselves signed, and which includes the payment of indemnities. But do not blame the only nation with the courage to enforce what we undertook solemnly to enforce.

As to Germany's inability to pay, that is another matter. Do you contend that with a negligible income-tax who is, at any rate, making an attempt? To forgive is easy, but the community does not forget the criminal until he has expiated his crime, and that Germany has not done.—Yours, etc.,

EUROPEAN.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Peak Residents' Association holds its first annual meeting to-morrow.

The Kowloon Cricket Club's last dance of the season is being held on Friday night in the Kowloon Theatre.—Adv.

The assistant commandant of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., has reported to the police that cargo valued at \$4,800 has been stolen from Godown No. 3, Kowloon.

Recently, reports the Canton Daily News, the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha acquired the B. A. T. building on Shameen, which had previously been purchased by the Hongkong Hotel Company.

A mendicant who had attempted to strangle himself with his girdle, was found lying unconscious near No. 10 bridge, Pokfulam yesterday. He has since been removed to the hospital.

Six tarpaulins and twenty yards of white canvas, valued at \$500 were stolen from the poop-deck of the s.s. "Rhodesia" between 3 and 5 a.m. yesterday. Messrs John Manners and Co. are agents for the vessel.

Mr. H. K. Peters, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., at Shanghai, left for Tsingtao at Easter for a trip combining business with a short holiday. Unfortunately while there he contracted a fever and has since been laid up, but it is reported that he is making favourable progress and will return to Shanghai this week.

Mr. H. C. Anderson, U. S. Treasury Attaché, who arrived in Shanghai last week from the States, after spending two weeks in Japan will remain in China about six months, visiting Peking, Hongkong, and Canton before returning to America. Mr. Anderson was recently appointed to investigate various matters in connection with the application of American tariff laws to Chinese imports.

A report, which the police doubt, was made yesterday to the effect that a match at Shamshuipo was entered at 9.45 p.m., on Monday by two men who declared that their purpose was to search for opium. A number of boxes are stated to have been opened and property to the value of \$19.20 stolen. On remonstrating with the robbers the man who lived in the match with his family was stabbed in the neck with a pair of scissors.

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## OF DINNER PARTIES.

## [TOM WRIGHT STUFF.]

If it were not for traditions coming to me from dinner parties that I do not attend, I would be at a loss to know why some people do not prefer the same privacy for their evening catnap that they do for their breakfast. They used to charge extra in the menageries to see the animals feeding, and now I feel that I would rather pay extra for my dinner not to see them. Is the idea that if there be a lot of talk and laughter at the dinner table they will eat more slowly and digest their food all the better for that? One authority tells me that at the ideal dinner party there should be "a conversational constellation of stars of the first magnitude separated by lesser lights." From these fixed orbs should radiate flashes of talk, and supplementing this, the laughter of the connecting circle should follow as punctually as thunder on lightning. The hostess, like a beneficent sun, kindles and warms and sways her little system, while the servants revolve about the table in their courses, like orderly planets. Well, I suppose I have no luck.

If the solar system carried on as my dinner parties do, all would be wreck and ruin in two shakes. There is usually a comet of a man there who provokes me to homicidal thoughts, makes my head ache with his din, and I miss my second helping of the salad. As for the sunny hostess—wow! Either the poor wretch, to please her prig of a husband, ceases to be her healthy natural self and talks like a tedious possum, or she flirtatiously fishes for compliments with the skittishness of an adipsos elephant, or she sits sad-eyed and anxious like a cat whose kittens are being taken out to be drowned, so that I get the impression that either the fish is bad, or her provision merchant has been dunning her for money. To help make her confounded dinner "go" I think up some bright thing to say, and in the middle of it she interrupts to express an entirely unfounded fear that I am not getting enough to eat. No more dinner parties for me. I have said it before, but this time I mean it. As you have rather intelligently guessed, I am in a bad temper. So would even Job be, and I learn on enquiry that he had no dinner jacket. In Hongkong the wine or the beer or the whisky saved the situation sometimes, and made even the barbarians and the misfits almost appear to be nearly human; but here, well, you have heard of the awful thing that has happened.

A bug called Prohibition is phylloxerizing the vine, and the teeth of the little foxes are set on edge. For they still try to dine in company. "Grape juice or near beer?" says the butler, and I break into loud and uncontrollable sobs, and am led from the room by the oldest and kindest lady present. It might be so jolly, too, for these people are not so "set" on dinner jackets as you were. I once very nearly said of a certain Hongkong man that if he happened to die in the evening he would want to go to hell in his dinner jacket. I wish I had said it now, for on reflection I perceive the absolute truth and justice of it. It isn't as if he ever looked well in it. He didn't.

I was going to tell you about last night's dinner party, but on second thoughts I will not. Strong language in the China Mail might needlessly hurt the feelings of the Rev. Mr. Forgesland.

KENNEDY TOWN FIRE.  
POLICE COURT SEQUEL.  
CONTRACTOR FINED \$150.

A sequel to the disastrous fire at Kennedy Town last year came to-day when Fook On, a contractor, was summoned at the Police Court for not taking down the front walls of Nos. 57, 59 and 61, Belcher Street.

Mr. A. el Arculli defended. He entered a plea of guilty and explained that the commission was due to misunderstanding between architect and contractor.

In reply to his Worship (Mr. R. E. Lindell), a P.W.D. official stated that the houses had been badly damaged by an explosion during a fire last year. The plans distinctly signified that the front walls were to come down. He had personally explained the requirements to the contractor.

His Worship remarked that it seemed as if an attempt had been made by the contractor to cheat the owner or the owner had deliberately deviated from the plans.

The P.W.D. also asked that an order be made for the party walls to come down and be rebuilt with the front walls. If built separately there would be no bonding between the walls.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$150. Regarding the party-wall of Nos. 59 and 61, he ordered such demolition as may be required to secure the necessary bonding to the satisfaction of the P.W.D.

## PEAK AFFAIRS.

## RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION REPORT.

WORK OF THE YEAR.

The report of the general committee to be presented at the first annual meeting of the Peak Residents' Association to-morrow evening states:—

The following précis will summarise the work for the year, and in many cases the correspondence dealing with the subject matter will be found in the appendices to this report.

Although this report should rightly only cover the period up to the 31st December last, owing to the unavoidable delay in holding the first annual meeting, some of the matters referred to come under this year's working, and are included to bring the work of the Association up to date.

THE PEAK HOSPITAL.—Owing to the generous gift of Mr. J. E. Joseph, the serious situation which faced residents of the Peak by the contemplated closing of the Peak Hospital in September last, was averted, and this institution will at least be carried on until such time as the War Memorial Hospital will be completed.

The Government appointed a Committee of eight to run the hospital and Mr. Grayburn, as Chairman of this Association, was asked by the Government to join the Board. The other members of the Board are Dr. Johnson (Chairman), Dr. Marriott, Dr. Aubrey, Dr. Allen, Miss Johnson (Matron of the Hospital), Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird and Mr. Blair (Secretary).

Considerable repairs have been carried out by the Government, a hot water system installed and the Hospital is now in good running order.

PEAK MOTOR ROAD.—Although the motor road to Victoria Gap is still uncompleted to general traffic, the work is being hurried forward as much as possible. Cars can now on obtaining permission from the Police proceed as far as Stewart Terrace. Steps are also being taken immediately to surface the road for heavy lorry traffic which will enable building and heavy materials to be brought up by the new road.

PATROLLING OF HILL DISTRICTS BY SPECIAL CONSTABLES.—In view of the strike last year, the Association informed the Government that they regarded the provision of adequate patrolling in the event of further trouble of great importance, and the Colonial Secretary's reply in this connection is self explanatory.

FLUSH WATER CLOSETS.—These have been installed in many residences on the Peak, but no further applications will be considered by the Government until the water supply of the Colony becomes normal again.

Members are reminded that the Government insist on flush closets being installed throughout the house including servants' quarters and that the excess water rate will be retained from \$0.75 to \$1 per unit.

CHILDREN'S PLAY-GROUNDS ON PEAK.—After considerable delay the Public Works Department are now proceeding with the formation of two play grounds—one adjacent to the Peak School on Aberdeen Road, the other in Plantation Road near R.B.L. No. 2.

ROAD FROM WONG NEI CHU TO REPULSE BAY.—At the request of Mr. Denison, the Association approached the Government regarding the completion of the partly completed road from Wanchai Gap to Repulse Bay.

The southern portion of this road is now in course of completion. PEAK TELEPHONE EXCHANGE.—The Association supported a complaint lodged by Mr. R. Sutherland with the China and Japan Telephone Company regarding the inefficient working of the Peak Telephone Exchange during the first few weeks of its inauguration.

Since that date however the telephone service on the Peak has greatly improved and is now generally very satisfactory.

USE OF MANURE IN PEAK GARDENS.—The correspondence published on this question will be of considerable interest to Peak residents and members are requested to carefully comply with the conditions laid down by the Medical Officer of Health for the storage and use of cattle manure in their gardens.

POST OFFICE FOR THE PEAK.—It was suggested that the establishment of a branch Post Office at the Peak would develop into a useful and beneficial institution as the public got used to it, but the Government does not consider it necessary for the present, anyhow to open up a Post Office at the Peak.

EDUCATION BOARD.—The Government notified the Association that they were prepared to appoint a representative of the Peak Residents' Association to be a member of the Education Board.

Mr. Airey kindly consented to fill this position which was approved of by the Government for a period of two years.

SERVANTS' WAGES.—At the request of the General Committee the Ladies Sub-Committee drew up a

list of average wages for the benefit of new-comers, it being considered unfeasible to draw up a standard wage for all to comply with.

	Per Month.
No. 1 Boy	\$18 to \$25
No. 2 Boy	\$10 to \$15
Cook	\$17 to \$20
House Coolie	\$12 to \$15
Market Coolie	\$8 to \$10
No. 1 Amah	\$20 to \$25
Wash Amah	\$14 to \$15
Gardeners	\$11 to \$14
Chair Coolies	\$12 to \$13

PEAK HOTEL STORE.—Has now been opened by the Dairy Farm in conjunction with Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. and the Cafe Wisemen, the hours of business being from 8 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on week days and from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on Sundays.

The opening of this store has been made possible by the kind assistance and help rendered by the Hon. Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, who has granted a special permit to the Dairy Farm and Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. to run one motor lorry each a day with ice and supplies to the Peak Hotel.

It is to be hoped that members of the Association will give their whole hearted support to the Peak Hotel store, where supplies can be obtained at the same prices as from the town offices with the exception of 10¢, which is charged for at the rate of 1½ cents a pound as against 1½ cents from the Dairy Farm's town depot to cover the extra cost of transportation.

COMPLAINTS RE PUBLIC VEHICLES ON THE PEAK.—The Association laid before the Captain Superintendent of Police some complaints lodged by Mr. Murdoch regarding public vehicles on the Peak.

As will be seen from Captain Wolfe's reply, general charges are of little assistance and any complaints regarding public conveyances should be immediately reported to the Officer in Charge, Gough Hill Police Station, giving the number of the vehicle and particulars of what occurred.

PEAK TRAMWAY CO., LTD.—The Association addressed a letter to the General Managers of the Peak Tramway Co., Ltd. as to what provisions were being made to cope with a future strike, and though Messrs. John D. Humphreys & Son were willing to co-operate with the Association in obtaining the services of Peak residents who would be prepared to assist in running the Tramway in case of emergency, this matter has been shelved as the Association understood that provision is being made by the Government to meet this need in their "Essential Services" Scheme.

LADIES CLOAKROOM FOR PEAK TRAM.—At the request of Mr. H. W. Kent, the Association approached the Peak Tramway Company with a view to obtaining a cloakroom for ladies, but after careful consideration the General Managers of the Tramway Company came to the conclusion that the necessity for a cloak room has not been established and therefore they do not propose to take any further steps in this matter at the moment.

RENUMBERING THE PEAK.—The Association understands that the Government intend to renumber the houses on the Peak as soon as possible, and that with this end in view the Public Works Department are preparing a key plan to include new houses and contemplated sites. When this plan is ready a representative of the Public Works Department, the Assessor's Office, the Police and the Peak Residents' Association will work together and draw up final plans.

ANNUAL DONATION TO PEAK TRAMWAY STAFFS.—The work of making a collection on behalf of the staff of the Peak Tramway Co. was undertaken by the Association owing to the absence of Mr. George Hastings from the Colony.

The correspondence on this subject is self explanatory.

CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION.—A letter was received from the Constitutional Reform Association of Hongkong asking if this Association would be willing to co-operate in the matter of a public meeting to be held to discuss the Housing Question.

The Association replied that the object for which the public meeting was to be held is outside the province of the Peak Residents' Association and consequently this Association was unable to co-operate in this matter.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION.—A copy of the report of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association for the year ended 31st January has been received, and the suggestion that an interchange of published reports would be of mutual benefit has been fully endorsed by this Association.

HON. TREASURER'S REPORT.—The financial year closed with a credit balance of \$115.19. Out of this balance however will have to be paid the expenses incidental to the publication of this report and the Post Card printed in connection with the opening of the Peak Hotel Store.

The year closed with a membership of 283, but as some of these members have left the Colony and others are away or leaving on home leave, it is hoped that new members will be found to take their places.

The wives of members who have not as yet joined the Association are particularly requested to do so this year.

## BOOK DEBTS.

## CLAIM AGAINST MR. B. PASCO.

AN INTERESTING DECISION.

Mr. Justice Gompertz in the Summary Court this morning delivered judgment in the action in which W. H. Coole, trading as J. T. Shaw tailor, sued Mr. B. Pasco, of Brower and Co., for the sum of \$125 amount due for goods sold and delivered. He claimed the amount as assignee of the executor of the late J. T. Shaw.

The gist of the evidence was that plaintiff purchased the business of the late J. T. Shaw and sued defendant on one of the book debts purchased by him.

In delivering judgment His Honour said:—Plaintiff, who is trading as J. T. Shaw claims as assignee from the executors of the late James Totten Shaw.

The claim is for goods sold and delivered by the deceased to the defendant. It is in fact a claim for a book debt. It is admitted that the defendant has received no formal notice of the assignment, but it is suggested that the defendant, who worked next door to the plaintiff, knew all about the matter.

It is also urged that debt notes have been sent to the defendant, and it is admitted that he received in Jan. last a letter of demand, signed W. H. Coole, proprietor of J. T. Shaw. The letter of demand has not been put in, and on the evidence before me I do not think that it is sufficient.

To claim as proprietor of the business is not enough. A man may purchase the goodwill without acquiring the book debts. The debt notes again are not in—but it is not claimed that they constitute formal notice of an assignment. Now of course before the Judicature Act, 1873, an ordinary debt or chose-in-action was not assignable so as to pass the right of action at law.

Section 25 (6) of the Act is represented in the Colony by Section 9 of the Law Amendment Ordinance, 1901. Under both statutes express notice in writing is essential to pass the legal right, therefore, unless you have given the statutory notice, you cannot avail yourself of the benefits of the statute.

A striking illustration of the strictness with which the Act is construed by the Courts is furnished by the recent case of Hockley v. Goldstein (1920). The debtor in that case could neither read nor write. The plaintiffs therefore did not go through the formality of handing him a written notice of the assignment, but they took the agreement of the assignment and read it aloud to him twice so that he understood its contents.

The Court said that the words of the act were perfectly clear. The plaintiffs had not given the notice required and there must be judgment for the defendant. So here I must not suit the plaintiff with costs. There are of course, other defences into which it is unnecessary to enquire now.

There appear to be cross claims between the parties who are not strangers to each other. I hope that they may settle the matter amicably out of court.

Mr. F. E. Nash appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. N. I. Brewer for the defence.

COMING BACK.  
COURTNEIDGE-HOLLOWAY COY.

Theatregoers will be glad to hear that, true to their word, the Courtneidge-Holloway Company are to pay us a return visit next week.

They will be here for four days, beginning on April 18 and will stage "If Four Walls Told," "The Second Mrs. Tangueray," "Ambrose Applejohn's Adventure" and "The Man From Toronto."

RECENT PROPERTY SALE.

The China Mail learns on good authority that the purchase price of Nos. 16, 16A, 16B, and 16C, Des Vaux Road Central, the four houses between the Hongkong Hotel and "Wiseman's site" is \$1,001,531.25, and not \$45,185, as previously stated. As the area is given as 14,837½ square feet, the price would work out at approximately \$67.50 per square foot.

Kum Hong Ting, ex-commander of the Yunnan troops, has recently been appointed by Dr. Sun as an adviser to the Generalissimo's Headquarters. He returned to Canton from Hongkong on April 8, and is temporarily staying at Gen. Yang Kwan Yu's residence.

Not as yet joined the Association are particularly requested to do so this year.







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### INTIMIDATION ALLEGED. A DIALECT DIFFICULTY.

An interesting intimidation charge was heard before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when two Hakka stonecutters were charged with forcibly preventing two Fukien stonecutters from working.

The facts as related by the prosecution were that the two complainants were engaged with others from Fukien to work in a quarry at North Point. About the end of March twelve Hakkas, two of whom are alleged to have been the defendants, approached complainants and using sign language, on account of their not understanding one another's dialects, told them to follow. It is also alleged that defendants picked up complainants' tools and removed the tools from their lives, complainants accompanied the Hakkas but were met by the foreman who secured the return of the tools. The Fukienese were so scared that they stayed away from work for two days.

From the evidence it appeared that defendants went to the quarry to look for work and to persuade the Fukien men to join the Stonecutters' Guild. As they could not converse, they took away the tools to show the complainants what they meant.

Mr. T. G. Bennett, who represented defendants, contended that there was no intimidation as no force, or very little, was used.

His Worship pointed out that one of the complainants had used the phrase "terror stricken" in evidence.

After some argument, His Worship admitted that a tremendous amount of force had not been used and said he would give his decision on Saturday.

### LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

#### ARRIVALS.

China, (China Mail) from San Francisco, Shanghai.—A10.  
Kitano Maru, (N.Y.K.) from London, Singapore.—K10on Wharf.  
Soshi Maru, (O.S.K.) from Canton.—Co's Wharf.  
Hydrangea, (Chin. On) from Swatow.—Co's Wharf.  
Haiphong, (Thai Thuan) from Saigon.—C36.  
Yingchow, (B. & S.) from Shanghai, Swatow.—B12.  
Kwangtuh, (C. M. S. N.) from Canton.—Co's Wharf.  
Szechuen, (B. & S.) from Canton.—B9.  
Hirado Maru, (M.B.K.) from Canton.—Wanchai.  
Sun On, (Hop Fat) from Kwong Chow Wan.—C44.  
Kwanglee, (C. M. S. N.) from Shanghai.—Co's Wharf.  
Pembroke, (J.M. & Co.) from Vladivostok, Shanghai.—A3.  
Chipsing, (J.M. & Co.) from Tientsin, Weihaiwei.—C33.

#### DEPARTURES.

Haidis, (Wo Fat Sing) for Canton.—April 11.  
Sun Li, (Po On) for Fort Bayard.—April 11.  
Yei Maru, (M. B. K.) for Hongay.—April 11.  
Taikwa Maru, (Y. K. K.) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—April 11.  
Kitano Maru, (N.Y.K.) for Yokohama, Shanghai.—April 11.  
Kwanglee, (C. M. S. N.) for Canton.—April 11.  
Reims, (Tai Wao) for Hoihow.—April 11.  
Szechuen, (B. & S.) for Shanghai, Amoy.—April 11.  
President Pierce, (Pacific Mail) for San Francisco, Shanghai.—April 11.  
Hong Hwa, (Seng Soon Hong) for Amoy, Swatow.—April 11.  
Fushimi Maru, (N. Y. K.) for London, Singapore.—April 11.  
Tientsin, (Dodd & Co.) for Shanghai.—April 11.  
Ying Chow, (B. & S.) for Canton.—April 11.  
Hirado Maru, (M. B. K.) for Keelung.—April 11.  
Kwanglee, (C. M. S. N.) for Shanghai.—April 11.  
Kwanglee, (B. & S.) for Canton.—April 11.

of the country in which they live, and it is in order that this pleasure may be afforded to them that your support of this splendidly arranged and healthy movement is requested.

### THE JAMBOREE.

#### BOY SCOUT ACTIVITIES IN HONGKONG.

"Scout Jamboree!" "What is it?" "What is it for?" "What Scouts are there in Hongkong?" "What are they doing?" are just a few of the questions that are being asked at present when the Jamboree is mentioned.

The Jamboree, so called because it cannot very well be called anything else, will consist in this case of an Exhibition and a Concert, both to take place on Friday and Saturday next. On Friday, proceedings will commence in the City Hall at 4 p.m., when His Excellency the Chief Scout of Hongkong will declare the Jamboree open. All the rooms in the first floor will be in use, in St. Andrew's Hall being the Exhibition proper, where specimens of Scout handicraft will be on view, and the Scouts themselves will be seen at work. St. George's Hall is to be used as an arena in which a succession of displays will be performed, the principal one of which being the construction of a 24 ft. trestle bridge by a squad of scouts drawn from the several troops and trained by Staff Sergeant Best of the R.E.s. On Saturday the show will commence at 2.30 p.m., and on both nights this part of the Jamboree will close at 7 p.m. In addition to the displays in the arena on Saturday afternoon the 6th Hongkong Troop will perform a Scout Play in Chinese, which has been written by one of the Chinese Scoutmasters. The small room opening off St. George's Hall will be devoted to the Nature Study and Artist Section, where a very interesting collection of Hongkong Butterflies, Moths etc. made by the "Roving Fifth" will be on view. Admission to the Exhibition will be free, though a small charge will be made for the Chinese Play.

Tea will be obtainable at moderate charges in the Chamber of Commerce Room.

On both nights, the second part of the Jamboree, the Grand Concert, will be held in the Theatre Royal at 9.15 p.m. Several interesting and amusing items are on the programme, not least of which is a more modern version of Shakespeare's "Tempest" than that recently produced by the A.D.C. Tickets for the concert can be obtained from Messrs. Moutrie's or from any Boy Scout or Scout.

The purpose of the Jamboree is threefold,—to show that the Scouts in Hongkong are alive, to arouse interest and gain support, and to increase membership in all ranks.

There are about 200 Scouts in the Colony on the books of the various troops, of which about 150 are really active and regularly spending their spare time in Scouting. There are at present eight troops and one patrol of Sea Scouts, and shortly two other troops will be in process of formation.

Something of what Scouts here are doing will be seen during the Jamboree, but far more goes on than can be shown in an Exhibition. For instance, there are about 350-400 Scouts of all ranks registered at Imperial Headquarters in London. During the year 1922, three Bronze Crosses were awarded for heroism, thirty-five Silver Crosses for gallantry with risk of life, and twenty-seven Gilt Crosses for plucky and meritorious action. Three out of these twenty-seven Gilt Crosses were won by Hongkong Scouts, all three being Chinese boys. In each case the boy's actions were entirely the result of Scout Training, added to the "heart" put that training into use. Ten days ago a party of five Chinese scouts set out from Hongkong to visit some scouts not belonging to this Association, who live on the mainland north of Macao. They left Macao at 6 a.m. and without a map reached their destination at 2 p.m., having walked the whole way. The same week end, a party from another troop started on a trek-camp in the New Territory, and pitched their tents where the Smugglers' Pass joins Pineapple Pass. The next morning several of them walked over very rough country along the Shing Mun Valley to Sha Tin in order to get back to Hongkong for a rehearsal in the afternoon, which they attended and at once returned to their camp that same evening.

Boys who formerly never left the support of this splendidly arranged and healthy movement is requested.

### COMPANY MEETING.

#### SHANGHAI EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT CO.

The fourth annual general meeting of shareholders in the Shanghai Exploration and Development Co. was held at the offices of the general agents (Messrs. George McBain), No. 1 The Bund, on April 5. Mr. John Prentice presided, and was supported by Messrs. A. W. Burkill, J. K. Tweed and A. J. Welch (Directors) and Mr. J. Elmore, representing the general agents.

Mr. Elmore having read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said that he would read the auditors' report, and this having been done, he continued:

Progress at our mine at Mentoukou during the year was slower than anticipated, owing to abnormal floods in September last and the complete breakdown of our electric power from the Peking Power Station for 10 days. Our shafts were flooded, and it took us several months to pump them out before we were able to continue our north west drift to the coal. Our engineer-in-chief has had many years' experience in mining in China, where water is often the chief obstacle to exploitation, and our present machinery (with an additional pump, which is on order) is capable of coping with the water situation, and the engineer-in-chief of the Peking Electric Light Works assures us that there will be no recurrence of the breakdown of the supply of electric power.

#### RESULT OF NEW BORINGS.

Our engineer has made several borings during the past year, and the results obtained, together with the information gained by striking the seam reported to you, convince him that our field is far more extensive than he supposed originally. Our output at present is small, but we must not forget he is contending with a high water pressure. This pressure must be gradually reduced by boring before he can allow the miner to continue excavating. He has also inaugurated a system of pillars and safety doors for each cross-cut, so that at any time in the future, should he meet with an unusual quantity of water, each cross-cut can be independently closed, and therefore will not cause any interference with the production of coal from other cross-cuts.

As the preparatory work is not yet completed our production of coal is still unimportant, but our manager anticipates completing this work in about a fortnight from now, and he will then be able to start to increase the production gradually. He informs us that no further work has been done on our branch line, but it is reported that the dispute causing the delay is likely to be settled very shortly.

#### MEETING ESTIMATES.

I regret that I am unable to give you a fuller report on the company's present position and future prospects, as, to do so, I should be obliged to give you figures based on estimates. Your directors have given this matter very careful consideration and decided eventually that mining estimates are so dangerous that, with the best intentions, we might mislead you rather than help you to arrive at the true value of the company's property at Mentoukou. It was therefore agreed that we should confine our statements to facts as far as possible. If there is information available during the current year that would be of particular interest, it is our intention to notify you in some way, but we do not think it advisable, for the present at any rate, to publish information monthly.

Mr. R. S. F. McBain resigned his directorship of the company as from October 30, 1922, owing to the date of his return to Shanghai being indefinite, and your directors do not propose to fill the vacancy for the present.

I do not think I can tell you anything more that would be of interest to you, but, before putting the resolutions to the meeting, I shall be glad to answer any questions you may wish to ask.

There was no discussion, and the following resolutions were put to the meeting and carried unanimously:

That the report and accounts, as presented, be passed.—Proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. A. W. Burkill.

That Mr. A. W. Burkill be re-elected a director of the company.—Proposed by Mr. A. Woods and seconded by Mr. Ellis Hayim.

That Mr. J. K. Tweed be re-elected a director of the company.—Proposed by Mr. G. H. Potts and seconded by Mr. D. Fleming.

That Messrs. Low, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.—Proposed by Mr. F. G. Pirie and seconded by Mr. F. R. Vida.

This concluded the business of the meeting.

#### Bowel Complaint in Children.

During the summer months children are subject to disorders of the bowels and should receive the most careful attention. As soon as any unusual looseness of the bowels is noticed, the parents should be given. For this purpose, the Chinese and European.

### PROPERTY VALUES.

#### MR. H. W. BIRD'S VIEWS.

##### LAND DEAL DISPUTE.

What is the true market value of property?

That was the question debated at length before the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, yesterday, when the Chinese partnership dispute was continued. The plaintiff, Wong On Shing-tong a retired sleeping partner claims from the defendant, Au Man Kit the managing partner of the Yui-Tak firm that certain property belonging to the firm was sold at a gross undervaluation. Counsel for plaintiff submitted that the property in question was worth \$55,000 but was sold by defendant for only \$34,000 whereby plaintiff's realised share of retiring from the business should have been greater than the sum actually paid to him by defendant.

Giving evidence on behalf of the defence yesterday, Mr. W. H. Bird of the firm of Messrs. Palmer and Turner, architects and surveyors submitted that high prices paid for property which bring in only a small return on the investment do not represent "market value" whilst Mr. Eldon Potter, counsel for plaintiff contended that whatever price property yielded represented true market value.

Mr. Bird considered that the price paid for the property (\$34,000) was a very fair price and was not a gross undervaluation as alleged.

In reply to Mr. Jenkins, witness said that in his opinion the property would not have been worth any more in January, 1921, when it was sold than when he valued it in February, 1922. He considered the price paid (\$34,000) was a very fair one.

Mr. Jenkins: The plaintiff claims from this Court a declaration that the true value of the properties in January, 1921, was \$55,000. Would you say that was a true value?—I say \$30,000.

Cross-examined by Mr. Eldon Potter, Mr. Bird said that his valuation would also be his valuation of the property as a security.

Mr. Potter: Do you suggest that your valuation of \$30,000 is reasonable and that any price above that would not be reasonable?—That would depend entirely on what return the intending purchaser wanted for his money.

This street of houses is used by a peculiar class of merchants—I can't tell you that.

You know it is a fact that Chinese are buying property at treble, even quadruple, the former price?—It is true, but it is not a business transaction. They buy these properties because they want some place for their families, and they don't care what return they get for their money.

Witness, in reply to further questions, said that he considered a man a fool who paid more than a reasonable price for property.

Mr. Potter: In that case I can give you examples of many fools in this particular street, and the folly goes back for many years.—I say that he is not making a business transaction if he buys at a price which brings him in return of four or five per cent on his transaction.

Witness then put a question to Counsel. It was, in effect, supposing he attended a sale of property with the intention of buying at a price which would bring him in a return of 8 per cent, and another man attended the sale prepared to pay considerably more, because he would be satisfied with a return of 2 per cent. "Which would be the true market value?" asked Mr. Bird.

Mr. Potter: I should say the price for which the property was sold.

The Chief Justice said that, he would call it a fancy price.

Mr. Potter: It is the market price whatever he pays. It is just the same as the man who is prepared to pay £20,000 for an old master. It represents the market value. It is a scarcity value and the only definition of market price is the price it fetches.

The Chief Justice (to Mr. Potter): You can't suggest that a man who is satisfied with a return of 2 per cent is getting market value.

Mr. Potter: Yes, my Lord, if the house is in a certain place and men are prepared to pay large sums of money to get hold of that property for certain reasons; it has particular effect on the market value. Counsel emphasised the point that this particular street was occupied by a peculiar class of merchant.

To the witness, Mr. Potter said: You have laid down a startling proposition, Mr. Bird, if you say that a price fetched for a house is not market value.

Mr. Bird: I don't agree that the price paid by Chinese is market value. I want a fair return of 8 per cent for my outlay. A Chinese is satisfied with 2 per cent. I have argued this point with many people.

Mr. Potter: Oh, yes, it is question of economics, which has been dealt with by the most profound writers.

Mr. Bird: It is more difficult in Hongkong to know what the market value of property. At Hong Kong it is not so difficult.

### IN THE NAVY.

#### HOW TO SUCCEED.

The amusing instructions of "Nauticus" on "How to Succeed in the Navy" are continued in the January number of the Nautical Magazine. The writer is advising the juniors upon their behaviour when on watch:

The trick of diverting attention from yourself should be cultivated, as it is most useful. For instance, you will find that when the Officer of the Watch has forgotten to send in a book for the Commander, thereby keeping him waiting on a draughty pier in the pouring rain for perhaps three-quarters of an hour, he will at once accuse you of having omitted to call it away. You will immediately reply that you gave strict orders to the quartermaster to call it away well up to time. He in turn will probably take it out of the sidoboy, but that is neither here nor there.

Another most important part of watch-keeping in that of making cocoa for the Officer of the Watch during the night watches. If you can produce at frequent intervals a steaming cup of cocoa, you will not only gain his friendship, which may be useful on occasions, but, with any luck, should the ship be in harbour, he will retire to the ward room to drink it. This leaves you free to light a cigarette, and once more tugging the quartermaster to "carry on," you can retire to the gun room, from whence (if you are lucky), the quartermaster will call you before the Officer of the Watch returns on deck. Should the ship be at sea it is not advisable that either you or the Officer of the Watch should go below, as it is the subsequent court martial, after the ship has rounded her next ahead, the members of the Court are apt to take an unduly pessimistic view of your absence from the bridge, which is likely to have far reaching effects on your seniority.

When making cocoa for the Officer of the Watch at sea, always make use of the well fitted and comfortable chart house, which is obviously erected for the purpose. It is also as well to bear in mind that Navigating Officers generally have a ridiculous regard for the varnish of the chart house table, the beauty of which is liable to be impaired if hot cocoa is spilled over it. Many a life-long friendship has sprung up between an enthusiastic Midshipman of the Watch and a Nautic Navigating Officer, through the Midshipman having had the kindly thought of protecting the varnish by placing the cocoa on one of the Navigator's carefully corrected charts.

### SANITARY BOARD.

#### ANIMAL BYE-LAWS.

The Sanitary Board held its fortnightly meeting yesterday afternoon, Mr. G. R. Sayer presiding. Those present were the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins, Dr. F. M. G. Ozorio, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and Mr. J. A. Fraser (Secretary).

In connection with the amendment of the Animal Bye-laws, the Chairman mentioned an enquiry from Mr. Wong Kwong-tin as to whether the deletion of the provision that the cleansing and disinfecting be at the public expense meant an alteration to the procedure. The Chairman said there was no alteration in the practice. A suggestion also received from Mr. Wong was the inclusion of a compensation clause in the amendment to encourage persons notifying the police or sanitary inspectors of cases of cattle suffering from infectious diseases. He (the Chairman) did not support the suggestion. Persons reporting infectious cases of the kind received \$1 as reward. In the case of a cattle owner making the report the Board considered it his duty to do so.

On the motion of the Chairman, seconded by Dr. Ozorio, the amendment of the Animal Bye-laws was passed.

### GOLF.

The result of the Captain's Cup Competition, played at Fanling on 7th, 8th and 9th April, was won by Mr. J. M. Walker with a score of 77-8-69 Net.

Construction work in connection with the new Kowloon hospital much better game and was on the main road from Mongkok to Kowloon City has begun. It is expected that the institution, which is to accommodate both Chinese and Europeans, will be ready for occupation in about 18 months time.

For allowing three hundred persons in excess of his licence to enter the Ko Shing theatre on the night of March 21, the manager was fined \$100 by Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning. Inspector Kent said that the gangway and stage were blocked and a fire of \$25 for in the first set which they won 6-4. The second set was improved six months ago.

## DAIRY FARM NEWS.

### ICE CREAM.

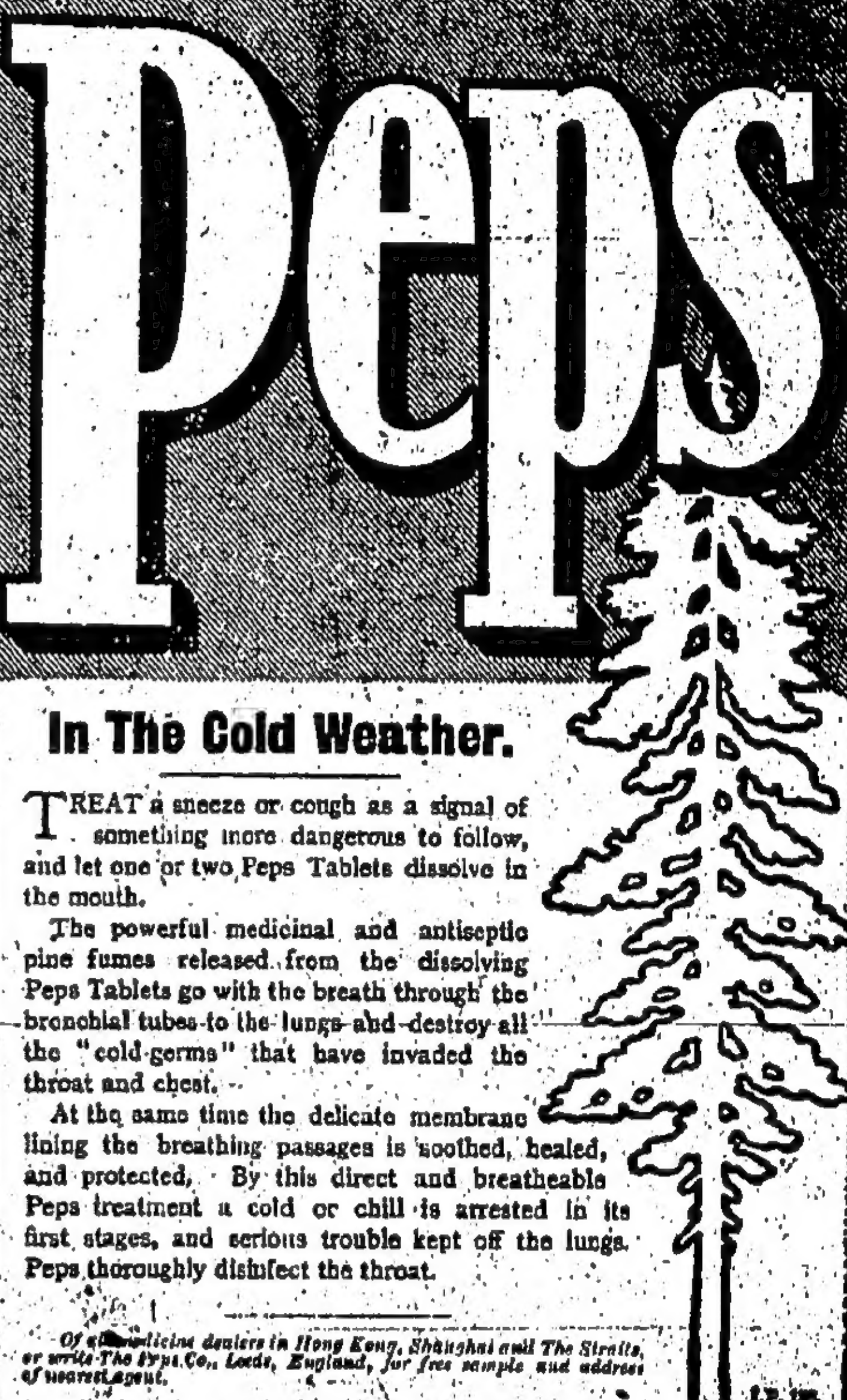
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### TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

#### YESTERDAY'S GAMES.

The brothers, O. and H. D. Rumjahn entered the semi-final of the Open Championship Doubles in the H.K.C.C. tournament by beating Thomas Lay and M. P. Lo in three straight sets yesterday. The pairs met on Monday afternoon, but play was abandoned owing to bad light with the scores at two sets all, and it was decided to re-play the match entirely.

Yesterday the Indians played a much better game and were decidedly superior to the Chinese pair. They counteracted Lo's lob and confined their opponents to the base line before advancing. H. D. was again brilliant in his service but his brother played the better game and did most of the work. Lo's lob were not as successful as on Monday and he was disappointed in the last set. Lay improved on Monday's showing and drove well, forehand and backhand, across the court and down the side-line.

The Rumjahns gambled a lead in the first set which they won 6-4. In the last set which they won 6-4. Lay and Lo led the 5th game of the second set when the Indians

forged ahead to win 6-3. The third set was rather one-sided, the Rumjahns leading 3-1, then 5-2 and winning 6-2.

Arrangements have been made for the Rumjahns to meet A. Eveleigh and A. S. Lindell in the semi-final on the staple court this afternoon.

Another match in the Open Championship Doubles was played yesterday when E. B. S. Dods and A. B. Raworth beat F. Wheeler and C. E. Millard by three sets to one. This was a second round tie and the winners will have to meet R. H. Wild and J. D. Humphreys in the third round. Each pair won a set yesterday, but Dods and Raworth took the third and fourth sets easily.

Yesterday's results were:—Open Championship Doubles.—O. and H. D. Rumjahn beat M. P. Lo and Thomas Lay, 6-4, 6-3, 6-2. E. B. S. Dods and A. B. Raworth beat F. Wheeler and C. E. Millard, 6-4, 2-6, 6-4, 6-1.

Cloth Championship.—R. E. Worthington beat A. Eveleigh, 6-3, 6-2, 6-2.

Handicap Doubles.—R. M. Henderson and A. Brerley (—1/8) beat L. Forster and F. H. King (—1/8), 6-4, 6-3.

Mixed Doubles.—R. M. Smith and Mrs. Smith (—1/8) beat H. E. Greer and Miss Duff (—5/8), 6-4, 6-2.



## SHOT IN CHAIR.

## WYNDHAM STREET SENSATION.

## PROMINENT CHINESE ATTACKED.

One of the most prominent Chinese residents in Hongkong, Mr. Chan Wing-hsin, formerly Director of the Canton Arsenal and Commissioner of River Defences, who is son of Mr. Chan Chik-yu, ex-Civil Governor of Kwangtung, and a nephew of Mr. Chan Kang-yu (Comptroller of Messrs. Douglas Lapraik and Co.) was shot at the junction of Wyndham Street and Glenelg at about half past seven last night. Three bullets, presumably from a pistol, entered his back.

Mr. Chan was in a chair coming down Glenelg unaccompanied when three shots rang out and he fell out. The assailant, whose identity is unknown to the police, escaped, although efforts were made by a number of police officers who were attracted by the sound of firing.

A *China Mail* reporter, who was the first European on the scene addressed Mr. Chan who replied in English "I am shot, help me." Aid was immediately summoned through the Wyndham Hotel telephone. Despite his wounds, Mr. Chan remained cool and collected. He was bleeding profusely and the right side of his jaw was badly grazed as the result of falling from his chair. As he was being lifted into a chair, he intimated that he was the son of the ex-Governor of Canton adding "Put me in a motor-car and take me to the Government Civil Hospital." A motor-car which was stationary outside Glenelg Building was immediately requisitioned and he was then taken away. The police are of the opinion that he was shot from political motives.

Enquiries at the hospital elicited that Mr. Chan's condition is very serious. Two of the wounds are not of much consequence but the third injured the spinal cord and paralysis has set in. An operation will be attempted this afternoon but, to use Dr. McKenny's words the outlook is "very gloomy."

Mr. Chan, whose age is given as 37, is very well known in the Colony, both to Europeans and Chinese. He is a native of the Heungshan district, which is also the home of Sun Yat-sen and Tang Shao-yi. After studying for some time here, he proceeded to Yale University of which he is a graduate. Before entering political life, he was in business in Hongkong, being one of the founders of the Pacific Trading Co., Ltd. At one time he was identified with the Sun Company. His first appointment was in 1921, when he was made Director of the Canton Arsenal after General Chen Chung-ming had expelled the Kwangsi militarists. Last year, he played an important part in the June coup which ousted Sun from Canton. It is claimed that, next to Ip Kwei, he was mainly instrumental in bringing about Sun's defeat. He was made a Lieut.-General and personally led an expedition against the pro-Sun forces in Heungshan under a previous Director of the Arsenal. From Heungshan he brought his victorious troops to Kongmoon where he quelled a rising on Sun's behalf by one of the district magistrates. With a number of gun-boats captured at Kongmoon, he re-organised the River Defence Flotilla and was appointed on Chen's return, Commissioner of River Defences. More recently, he sought to stem the invasion by the Yunnan-Kwangsi troops but disloyalty caused by propaganda disintegrated his following and he left Canton a few days after Chen's flight and after his father's relinquishing of the Civil Governorship.

## M. SKLAREVSKI.

## YESTERDAY'S CHARMING RECITAL.

Playing with that easy mastery which has made his name famous in the music world, M. Alexander Sklarevski gave his second recital here yesterday evening. The audience, should have been much larger; it could not have been much more appreciative. From this moment M. Sklarevski entered, it lost no chance to express its pleasure, warmly applauding each item as it was submitted and giving him an ovation after the last encore. The programme, which M. Sklarevski traversed with his customary brilliant skill, was as follows:

- (a) Andante, F. major. Beeth.
  - (b) Moonlight Sonata. 1. oven.
  - (c) Ballade a flat major. Liszt.
  - (d) Nocturne F. sharp minor.
  - (e) Waltz, C. sharp minor.
  - (f) Bolero, A. flat major.
  - (g) Two Preludes. Rachmaninov.
  - (h) Barcarolle. Rubinstein.
  - (i) Etude Pathétique. Scriabin.
  - (j) Andante-Moderato. Sgambatti.
  - (k) Loreley. Liszt.
  - (l) Campanella. Liszt.
- M. Sklarevski visits Macao, after which he goes to Manila. He gives concerts at both places.

## INTERPORT CRICKET.

## SHANGHAI V. HONGKONG.

## FIXED FOR MAY 17.

The *China Mail* learns that an interport cricket match between Shanghai and Hongkong has been fixed, provisionally, for May 17.

Several well-known players have received invitation to make the trip to Shanghai and some of them have accepted. Other "possibles" will participate in a series of trials, the first of which is to take place on the H.K.C.C. ground on Saturday. Invitations have been sent to Messrs. G. R. Sayer, L. J. Davies, H. Owen Hughes, A. A. Runjahn, U. M. Omar and the Rev. E. K. Quick. That redoubtable veteran Tom Pearce will be in Shanghai on the date in question and he will probably skipper the Hongkong eleven. But for his injury, R.E.A. Webster would have been included but it is doubtful if he will be fit by then. His absence will be missed, particularly in the attack.

Saturday's interport practice match will take place between the following sides at 2 p.m. on the Club Ground:

T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, L. J. Davies, U. M. Omar, A. A. Runjahn, A. E. Wood, E. K. Quick, H. Owen Hughes, F. Baker, E. J. R. Mitchell and E. G. Johnston.

Capt. E. G. Spinks, R. H. Wild, L. D. McNicoll, F. N. Young, G. A. V. Hall, B. Petheram, E. F. Spinks, N. Balhatchet, C. Daner, F. G. Wheeler and H. E. Hollands.

## TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

## G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the lotting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 16th day of April, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Kennedy Town in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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## WATER SHORTAGE.

## TROUBLE IN RIDER-MAIN HOUSE.

A case of particular interest in view of the water shortage, was heard before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning.

Kinman Lee, a solicitor's clerk, living at the first floor of No. 54B, Peel Street, summoned the tenant of the second floor for using obscene language on March 30. It was explained that the house was

in the rider main district and the mains were only turned on for two hours each day. The occupants of the four floors had an arrangement whereby each floor was to turn on its tap for half an hour. On the day in question, the tenant of the second floor is said to have shouted to the first floor, "Close the tap." As the half-hour had not expired, complainant ignored the shout. He further alleged that the occupants of the floor above him banged the floor with choppers, used obscene language to him and abused his wife.

As he could not identify the particular person, his Worship dismissed the summons.

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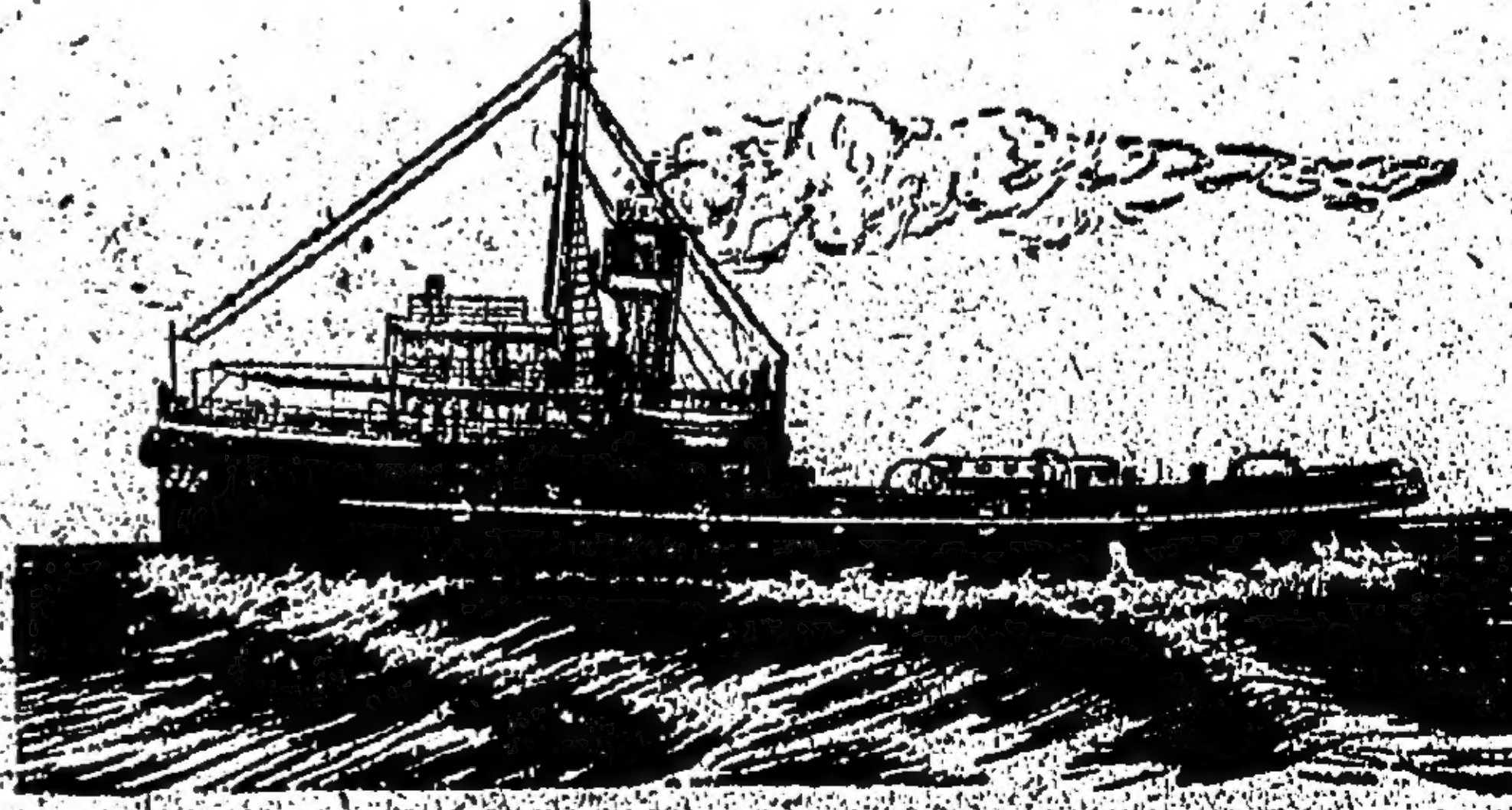
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## TERRIBLE FIRE SCENES.

Terrifying scenes marked the fire which swept through a wing of the Manhattan State Hospital for the Insane in the early hours of Sunday morning, burned twenty-five men to death, and exposed hundreds of others, clad only in their night-clothes, to an icy wind and a temperature slightly above zero. In the wing of the hospital where the fire started there were nearly 200 inmates, most of them violently insane. Many of them were incarcerated in their barred and bolted cells without a chance of life. The hospital is situated on Ward's Island in the middle of the river, and the only means of reaching it from New York City is by an antiquated ferry boat. The firemen consequently arrived late, after the collapse of a portion of the roof had cut off the escape from a number of cells whose inmates were seen clinging to the window-bars shrieking, grimacing, and tugging madly as the flames crept closer. The fire was discovered at 5.15 a.m. by Michael Campbell, the attendant, a retired fireman, who immediately gave the alarm, and began playing a hose on the flames, while other attendants rushed to clear the cells. As the fire siren shrieked pandemonium broke out, and the released inmates rushed through the smoke and flames in all directions, out into the frigid night, to wander around the island until picked up later. Mr. Campbell, who stood by his hose until the ceiling collapsed upon him, says he will never forget the appearance of the men who poured into the corridor as their doors were unlocked. "Some were leering, some grinning," says Campbell, "some cringing and their arms waving. Some were madder than ordinarily, and some were dancing about wildly laughing as the flames encircled them. With the arrival of help, the survivors were herded together and taken to safety, but by this time the whole island, with its 6,700 insane inmates, was aroused in an uproar, which continued until the fire was subdued, long after daybreak.

When a provision merchant was fined \$5 at Glasgow for describing Egyptian eggs as fresh eggs, it was suggested that though they might not have come out of Tutankhamen's tomb yet the eggs could not be fresh after coming from Egypt.

The police are continuing their inquiries into the death of Mr. William James Clark, the rich estate agent, of Manor Park, E., whose body was found in the Thames at Purfrest seven weeks after his disappearance on December 8, but no light has yet been thrown on the mystery.

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## TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Railer's Service to the China Mail)

## IRELAND'S TROUBLES OVER?

## IRREGULAR'S LEADER CAPTURED.

LONDON, April 10.

It is announced in Dublin that the Irregular's leader Liam Lynch was wounded and captured in a fight with Free State troops at South Clonmel.

## NOT SO MANY MURDERS.

The Lord Chief Justice, opening the Belfast Commission, said that there had not been a single case of murder since the last Commission in February, compared with ninety-seven cases for the same period of last year. It was also remarkable that the word "riot" was absent from the calendar.

## SITUATION MORE HOPEFUL.

LONDON, April 10.

An early and important development of the Irish situation is anticipated as an outcome of informal conversations between the Irish hierarchies who are exploring peace proposals. The conversations culminated in a long meeting of Bishops in Dublin to-day prefigured over by Cardinal Logue and attended by the Vatican representative, Monsignor Luzzio. It is reliably learned that a marked degree of optimism characterised the resolution adopted.

## ORGANISED OPPOSITION COLLAPSING?

Fresh proposals, largely based on the Government's declarations of policy towards the Irregulars were tentatively drawn up and have been considered by De Valera and Austin Stack. The peace atmosphere in Dublin is described as more hopeful than at any time since the Irregular opposition began and the arrest of Liam Lynch strengthens the belief that organised opposition is on the eve of a collapse.

## LIAM LYNCH DEAD.

DUBLIN, April 11.

It is officially reported that Liam Lynch died at Clonmel at 8.45 yesterday evening.

## A GENERAL IMPROVEMENT.

DUBLIN, April 11.

The Lord Chief Justice, opening the Dublin Commission, said that apart from malicious injuries there was an improvement in the state of Dublin, and the country generally. Citizens were now co-operating with the police. The continuation of co-operation would bring them nearer to the peace of God and prosperity.

## PAPAL ENVOY TO INTERVIEW MR. COSGRAVE.

DUBLIN, April 11.

It is understood that the meeting of bishops in Dublin yesterday evening drew up a petition to Monsignor Luzzio as a result of which it has been arranged that the Papal Envoy interviews Mr. Cosgrave to-day. The petition may well be regarded as a desire of the Irish people through their ecclesiastical leaders for an early peace.

## TREATMENT OF EX-SERVICEMEN.

## HOME GOVERNMENT DEFEAT.

LONDON, April 10.

The Government was defeated by 145 votes to 138 on the civil service estimates as regards the question of the treatment of ex-servicemen.

## HOW IT HAPPENED.

The Government defeat occurred on a technical motion that the Speaker leave the chair. This enables a preliminary discussion of topics embraced in the estimates before the latter are investigated by the committee. In the course of it there was a discussion on the position of ex-servicemen in the civil service. The declaration "voted" was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers by the Labourites, who enthusiastically threw order papers into the air, waved handkerchiefs and cried "Resign," and "Send for the Premier." The House then adjourned. The defeat creates a very awkward technical difficulty which the ministry, however, expects to surmount. The setback is attributed to the Government whip's blunder.

## RUHR REPRISALS.

ESSEN TO PAY 100,000,000 MARKS.

PARIS, April 11.

A message from Dusseldorf states that a French patrol was fired upon at Feilendorf and the leader of it was slightly wounded. The assailants were not arrested but it is stated that punitive measures are being taken.

ESSEN, April 11.

The town of Essen has been sentenced to pay a fine of a hundred million marks within ten days as a punishment for the murder of a French soldier in the cellar of the railway station.

## OBITUARY.

## MR. STUYVESANT FISH.

NEW YORK, April 11.

The death has occurred of Mr. Stuyvesant Fish, former Secretary of State and a well-known financier.

## HIGH SUGAR PRICES.

## AMERICAN TARIFF NOT RESPONSIBLE.

WASHINGTON, April 11.

The Tariff Commission which is investigating the high of price sugar has assured President Harding that the new Tariff Bill is not responsible for it.

## AMERICA AND SOVIET.

## COMMISSAR'S WIFE BARRED.

WASHINGTON, April 11.

The State Department has cancelled its visa of the permit to the wife of the Soviet Commissar Kalinin to visit the United States on the ground of entire inadvisability in consequence of the deep feeling created by the execution of Monsignor Budkiewicz. The action was taken in response to protests and manifestation of American displeasure.

## HONGKONG TRAMWAYS.

## ANNUAL MEETING OF COMPANY.

## EXTRA CARS AND RAIN-PROOF TOPS.

Several matters of interest not only to shareholders but to the tram-travelling public as well were touched upon in the Chairman's speech at the annual general meeting of the Hongkong Tramway Company Limited held in the offices of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co., Ltd., at noon to-day.

—Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presided and there were present: The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Mr. A. H. Compton, Rev. Father L. Robert and Sir Robert Ho Tung (directors), W. E. Roberts (secretary and general manager) and the following shareholders: R. J. Wilton, H. Smythe, Ho Leung, A. A. Alves, W. E. Van Eps, E. J. Chapman, A. H. M. da Silva, A. R. Lowe and M. Manuk.

The Chairman said: Gentlemen, —The report of directors and the statement of accounts for the year 1922 have been in your possession for some time, and I will, with your permission, take them as read.

The accounts for the first half of the year are in the same form as have previously been submitted to you, but as the whole of the tramway undertaking was assigned on July 1st last to the Hongkong Tramways Limited, the accounts for the half year ended 31st December 1922 show only the dividends received and receivable. The accounts of the new Company which have also been sent to you show the position as at 1st July and at 31st December. Taking the figures of the working account for the whole year, traffic and miscellaneous receipts show an increase of \$172,072, working expenses an increase of \$48,360, and the working profit shows an increase of \$123,703. The number of passengers carried, exclusive of monthly ticket holders, amounted to 19,434,558 an increase over the previous year of 2,239,731, or 13%. I am sure you will agree that the result of the year's working is very satisfactory.

In the accounts of the Hongkong Tramways Limited, you will observe that the sterling fixed deposit shows a profit on realisation of \$70,545.74 which has been added to the exchange fluctuation account. From this account has been deducted the purchase account adjustment (being the excess of liabilities over assets in the purchase account). As it is not anticipated that there will be any appreciable differences in exchange in the future, the balance of the exchange fluctuation account has been combined with the continuing liability account in a general reserve. The sum of \$81,793.50 has been transferred from profit and loss account to this general reserve account, making the total \$500,000. You will also observe that the sum of \$22,000 has been written off goodwill in the item of tramway undertaking. Goodwill appeared in that account at \$650,000, and your Directors think it advisable to write this amount off over the remainder of the term for which the Company owns the tramway rights.

**Car Improvements.**

In view of the increased traffic your Directors last year decided to construct an additional six cars, and these have just been placed in service. A further six cars are now under construction, and should enable us to deal adequately with the traffic of the coming year. Experiments are now being made in order to provide a permanent roof to all tramcars, so as to give protection to the top deck passengers in wet weather. If they are satisfactory all cars will be fitted with these covers in due course.

The arrangement entered into with the Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd., for supplying electrical energy for the working of the tramway, to which I referred at our last meeting, has now been in effect for some months, and is advantageous to this Company. The plant and machinery in the generating station has not yet been disposed of.

It is necessary to make certain alterations in the tramway depot in order to provide accommodation for the additional cars, and new workshops are now being made on the site of the old boiler house. It is proposed to convert the power house into offices.

An extension of the tramway on the east side of the Happy Valley, 113 yards in length, has been constructed, and is showing satisfactory results.

Heavy expenditure will have to be faced in the near future on the track on the Shaikwan Road. This road is being widened, and in places diverted, and as the traffic there is growing considerably it is desired to lay double track in place of the present single track as soon as it is possible to do so.

The subject of the tramway in Kowloon has been referred to year by year by your Chairman. I stated last year that I understood that tenders would be invited by the Government for a narrow gauge concession in due course. I am in a position as yet to add anything further to that statement.

## Income Tax Difficulty.

I now come to a matter affecting the future of this Company. Telegraphic advice has been received from London to the effect that it is possible that in consequence of the altered status of the Company a claim may be made by the Inland Revenue authorities for income tax on the whole of the dividends received from the Hongkong Tramways Limited, and not merely on the portion of the dividends remitted to London, which has been the case hitherto. Whether such a claim, if made, can be substantiated I am not in a position to say, but in view of the possibility thereof your directors consider it advisable to wind up this Company before another dividend is paid. General meetings of shareholders, which will be held in London, will be convened in due course. If the shareholders of the Company pass the resolutions which will then be proposed a distribution of the shares of the Hongkong Tramways Limited will be made, so that shareholders of this Company will then become shareholders of that Company in exactly the same proportion. The procedure of winding up an English Company is a long one, and it is anticipated that the distribution of shares, if approved, cannot be made until about January, 1924, so that it is not proposed this year to pay an interim dividend. Notices of the extraordinary general meetings of shareholders will be issued in due course.

I do not think there is anything more that calls for comment and now beg to propose: "That the report of the Directors and statement of accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1922, be and the same are hereby adopted."

There were no questions and after the resolution had been seconded by the Hon. Sir Paul Chater and carried unanimously, the Chairman further moved: "That the final dividend for the year ended 31st December, 1922, at the rate of two shillings per share (making a total of three shillings per share for the year) recommended by the Directors be and is hereby sanctioned, and that the same be paid to the shareholders on the Colonial (Hongkong) Register at the exchange rate of two shillings and two pence three farthings per Hongkong dollar."

The Hon. Sir Paul Chater again seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

The retiring directors, Rev. Fr. L. Robert and Mr. A. H. Compton were re-elected Directors of the Company on the motion of Mr. E. J. Chapman seconded by Mr. Ho Leung and on the motion of Mr. W. E. van Eps seconded by Mr. A. A. Alves, Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews were elected auditors at a fee of \$1,500 to hold office until the next annual general meeting.

## WINES AND SPIRITS.

## GANDE, PRICE &amp; CO. LTD.

The sixteenth annual general meeting of Messrs. Gande Price & Co., Ltd. wine and spirit merchants, was held this morning at the Company's offices, Queen's Road.

Mr. C. H. Lyson presided and there were also present Mr. S. C. Pank (managing director), Mr. Lau Po-wing, (director), Mr. C. Bond, (secretary) and the following shareholders: — Messrs. Chow Tung-sang, Pang Kwok-sui S. Yamuachi, Leung Yan-po and D. Rumjahn.

The Chairman said: Before proceeding with the business of this meeting I should like to express the regret of your directors at the loss they have suffered by the death of the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak which occurred during the year, and to place on record their appreciation of his valuable services during his association with the Company as a director, and to convey to his widow and family, in their sad bereavement, the sympathies of your Board of Directors and of the shareholders.

The report and accounts having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I will with your permission follow the usual procedure and take them as read. The net profit for the year under review is \$12,534.20 being a decrease of \$28,010.66 which is chiefly accounted for by the strike in the early part of 1922, general trade depression owing to unsettled conditions prevailing in South China and also to the Prohibition Act coming into force which affected our harbour sales. Under these abnormal conditions your Directors are of the opinion that the balance sheet as placed before you is in every way a creditable one, and they trust it will meet with the approval of the shareholders. The net profit of \$12,534.20 together with the balance of \$5,153.03 brought forward from the credit of Profit and Loss Account for 1921 makes a total credit of \$17,687.23 which your directors recommend to be distributed as follows: — To pay a dividend of 10% on the shares which will absorb \$16,244.50 and to carry forward the balance of \$1,442.73 to this year's account. I

think, gentlemen, considering the general depression of business, not only in the Colony, but the world over we are very fortunate in being able to pay a dividend of 90 cents per share. Our thanks are due to the staff for the assiduity shown during the year and we trust with their co-operation we shall have far better results to place before you at our next annual meeting. With these few remarks I have much pleasure in proposing the adoption of the report and accounts as presented, and after they have been seconded, I shall be pleased to answer to the best of my ability any questions the share holders may desire to ask.

Proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Leung Yan-po the report and statement of accounts were adopted.

Mr. C. Bond proposed and Mr. Pang Kwok-sui seconded the re-election of Mr. Lau Po-wing as a director. This was carried.

On the motion of Mr. Pank, seconded by Lau Po-wing Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews, were re-elected auditors at a fee of \$750.

## MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hongkong on Mar. 28 arrived at Vancouver on Apr. 8.

The O.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Russia" arrived at Manila on Apr. 10, at 5.30 a.m. left Manila on Apr. 10 at 6.30 p.m. and is due at Hongkong tomorrow at 7 a.m.

The B.F.S. "Hysen" left Port Said on Apr. 4 for Boston and New York.

The B.F.S. "Borylocha" from Liverpool left Singapore on Apr. 10 day light for this port and is due here on Apr. 16.

The B.F.S. "Myrmidon" left Liverpool on Apr. 6 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama and is due at this port on or about May 14.

The B.F.S. "Euphor" left Liverpool on Apr. 7 for Singapore, Hongkong, Shanghai and Hankow and is due here on or about May 10.

## PASSENGERS.

## DEPARTURES.

Per P. M. s.s. "President Pierce" on April 11 for San Francisco: — Mr. O. A. Allen, Mr. Amar Nath, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Bailey, Miss L. Bollock, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Brownell, Mr. Geo. D. Brownell, Mr. Dexter Brownell, Mr. H. G. Brownell, Mr. J. B. Burtation, Mr. W. J. Corcoran, Mr. Chan Wai Man, Mr. Chan Yuet Chin, Mr. Chan Gow Wocoy, Mr. Ching Fung, Miss D. Gross, Mr. Ho Ah Nong, Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Jeffery, Miss J. A. Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. A. Lochur, Miss M. Kocher, Miss G. Kimball, Mr. L. R. Kennedy, Miss S. Lagergren, Mr. and Mrs. G. Leys, Mr. Louis Jea Chong, Mr. Lee Yuen, Mr. Louis Chong Chin, Mr. Leong Sik Wing, Dr. and Mrs. J. Kerr Love, Mrs. O. M. Malcom, Mr. Florence Meenan, Mr. Mah Fung Koon, Gen. F. B. McCoy, Mrs. E. M. McCallough, Mr. B. Fickels, Mr. H. C. Page, Mr. F. F. Rayner, Mrs. E. O. Thompson, Miss O. I. Wright, Mr. F. J. Williams, Mr. Yee Tin, Mr. Yee Choo: — For Honolulu: Mr. O. Ligot, Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Mullahay, Master T. P. Mullahay: — For Yokohama: Capt. F. R. Parker, Mr. A. Timpie, Mrs. M. Wood: — For Kobe: Mr. J. F. Butt: — For Shanghai: Mrs. E. S. Abbott, Miss E. A. Abbott, Mr. E. W. Alderson, Mr. Robert Atwell, Mr. J. B. Rambers, Mrs. L. Becker, Miss M. C. Bartlett, Mrs. F. B. Burch, Miss R. Carter, Mr. O. B. Converse, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. O'Neil, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Chan, Mr. P. Y. Chan, Mr. F. Y. Chan, Mr. L. C. Cheng, Mr. and Mrs. Chuwang Chai Shum, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Davis, Mr. H. Dundas, Mr. E. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Fitzgerald, Mr. Y. S. Fung, Mr. J. Y. Fung, Mrs. B. Grove, Mrs. A. Garsinkel, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Graham, Mrs. E. A. Gilmore, Miss E. B. Gilmore, Miss E. Hall, Mr. R. E. Horn, Miss E. Hard, Messrs. Liu Shai Paw, A. J. Horden, Ho Chuen Hin, Ip Kwau, Mrs. H. A. Johnson, Miss M. Knight, Mr. H. J. Kinnard, Miss F. Kittelberg, Messrs. E. H. Leinhan, J. A. Lim, H. P. Lao, Mr.

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Mr. H. W. Bird was amongst those who left for Hong to-day by the "Fushimi Maru."

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Shares of \$100 or over will be bought or disposed of by the Small Investors Share and Real Estate Co., states an advertisement in to-day's issue.

Hung Chiang-hing, a well-known Cantonese, has offered a reward of \$5,000 for the return of the books of his library recently seized by troops of Liao Hsiang-yun.

Lists of the draw for the Royal Hongkong Golf Club's Summer Cup, also the result of the non-selling sweep in connection with it, have now been posted in the usual Club Houses.

Mr. E. W. Alderson assistant manager of the Hongkong Hotel Company, left Hongkong to-day by the "President Pierce" for Shanghai whither he has been transferred.

and Mrs. O. H. Lee, Mr. A. Y. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. V. F. Montgomery, Mr. Ma Joo Kuan, Mrs. J. F. Mason, Mr. O. V. Meyer, Mrs. A. Meyer, Mrs. L. McKewen, Mrs. Ann V. McCleary, Miss Ann McCleary, Master Road McCleary, Messrs T. Oniya, J. F. O'wley, M. Piravano, Mrs. G. Mrs. G. Pittinelli, Mrs. F. W. Poague, Mrs. M. D. Purdy, Misses F. Purdy, D. Riley, Mr. Ranken, J. Ranken, Lieut-Col. Alec. Bains Messrs Denys Reiss, H. R. Steele, F. M. Yeh, Mr. and Mrs. A. do Espirito Santo, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Tribolet, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Tenny, Mr. and Mrs. John I. Vaynazon, Mr. W. E. Vaynoff, Miss F. Weatherston, Miss E. Warran, Messrs Joseph Weil, N. Kayano, S. Ishida and H. Y. Fok.

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The divorce suit of Mrs. Sydney J. Hirsch, filed a year ago, has now brought about the indictment of John Berkowitz, charged with operating a "divorce syndicate." Engaged to shadow Mr. Hirsch, Berkowitz, it is alleged, employed Mortimer Foss, who declared he had found Hirsch with a blond woman. Hirsch vigorously denied the charge and proved an alibi. Later Berkowitz was arrested and charged with procuring Foss to make a false charge against Hirsch.



Dr. Karl Heidemann the father, has been ordered by the courts to return to Marie Louis Baco the child that was born to her three years ago. He took the baby as soon as it was born, told the story to his wife, and gave her the baby. Mrs. Heidemann became enamoured of the child and refused to give it back to the mother. Now, however, Miss Baco has shown the court she is financially able to care for the infant, and its custody has been awarded to her.



Princess Xenia Shakovsky, Russian exile, now earns her living as a cafe waitress in the Russian Eagle Restaurant in the East Side of New York City. Her husband, Prince George, is employed as a labourer in an exporting concern.



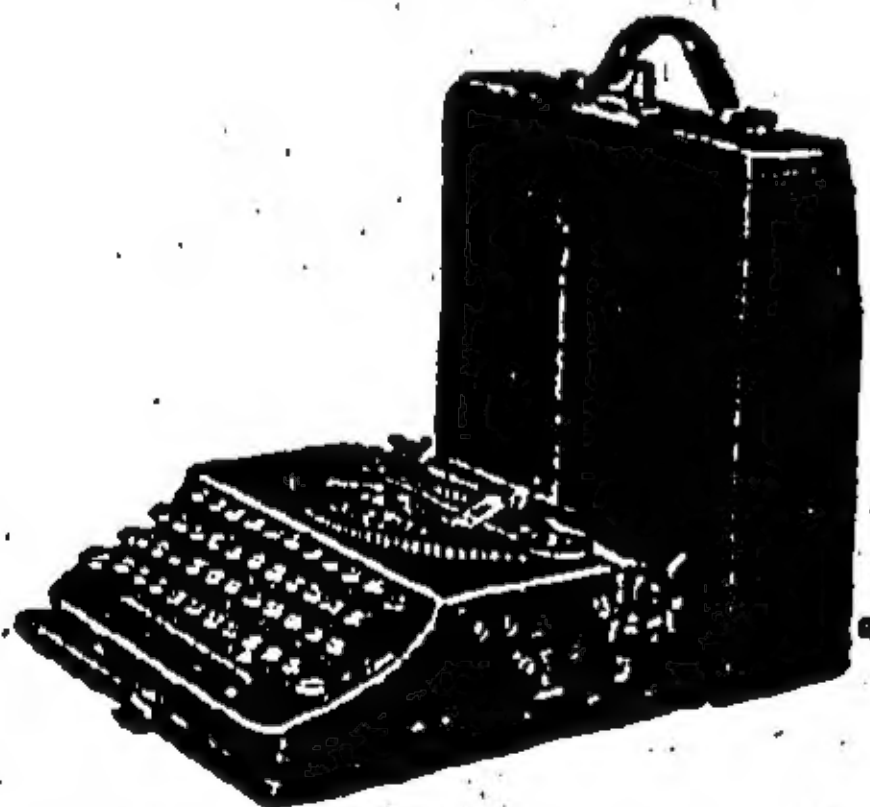
Acclaimed "Miss Canada" at the great Winter Carnival in Montreal. Miss Blair, who is a stenographer, is a charming brunette, nineteen years old.



Said to have tried to shoot one of her former husbands this lady, whom Chicago knows as the "Cave Woman" recently said "I will" for the third time.



Mme. Alexandra Kollantay, formerly Bolshevik Minister of Public Welfare, has been appointed Russian Minister to Norway. Mme. Kollantay was born an aristocrat and is known as the most avowed feminist in Russia, including English, and is the author of several works on social problems.



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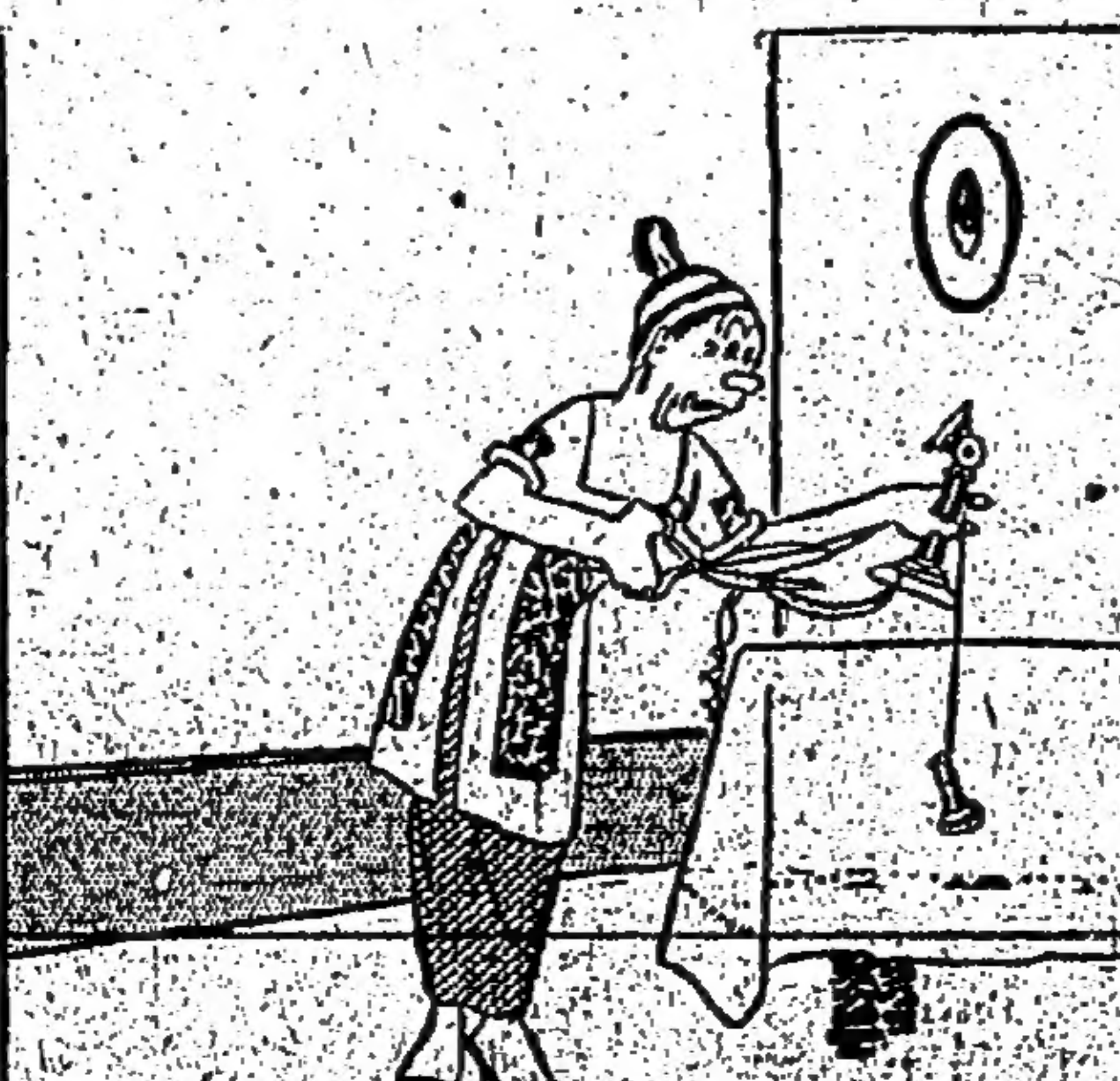
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## WEATHER REPORT.

April 11d. 11h. 11m.—Pressure has  
decreased considerably at Foo-  
chow, moderately at Haiphong and  
slightly at other reporting stations.  
Depressions lie over Tongking,  
and to the north of Foochow.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours  
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch.  
Total since January 1st, 1.49 inches.  
Against an average of 7.73 inches.  
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at  
noon on April 12, 1923.

1.—Formosa Channel, S. or variable  
winds, moderate; cloudy, occasional rain,  
fog in morning.

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Jouhou and Lamcoo, S. or variable  
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3.—Kowloon to Cap Rock, S. or vari-  
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ROYAL OBSERVATORY  
HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

APRIL 11, 1923.—a.m.

Station. Barometer at Sea Level. Temperature. Humidity. Wind direction. Force.

Victoria Peak 29.79 75 84 S 3

Stamford Hill 29.73 73 83 S 1

Central 29.71 73 83 S 1

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"MERIONES" 20th May Genoa, M'les, Liverpool & Glasgow

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The Parcel Post Service to Kowloon via Yunnan is suspended. Parcels  
addressed to Kowloon will, until further notice, be accepted only at senders  
risk and will be forwarded via Shanghai and Cheongch (Hannu).

REGISTERED and PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the  
times given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are addressed to close  
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## INWARD MAILS.

FROM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11.  
Straits, Amoy and Swatow... Tetschi Maru  
Australia and New Zealand... Aki Maru  
THURSDAY, APRIL 12.  
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai... Empress of Russia  
Australia and Manila... St. Albans  
Shanghai... Shanghai  
FRIDAY, APRIL 13.  
EUROPE via Suez (Letters & Papers) London 10th Mar. Mentor  
SATURDAY, APRIL 14.  
Manila... Pres. Jackson  
Straits... Torilla  
Shanghai... Kanchow  
TUESDAY, APRIL 17.  
Shanghai... Armand Behic  
U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai... Pres. Jefferson  
SATURDAY, APRIL 21.  
LONDON (Parcels 14th Mar.)... Nyanza

## OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11.  
Swatow and Amoy... Kwong Ying... 4 p.m.  
THURSDAY, APRIL 12.  
Swatow, Amoy and Takao... 8 a.m.  
Japan... 9.30 a.m.  
Straits and Calcutta... 1 p.m.  
Swatow... 2.30 p.m.  
Shanghai... 3.30 p.m.  
FRIDAY, APRIL 13.  
Bathow and Haiphong... 6.30 a.m.  
Straits, Amoy and Swatow... 10.30 a.m.  
Straits and Calcutta... 1.30 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Kowloon... 2.30 p.m.  
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